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1. THE EMBASSY/GOB NEGOTIATIONS HAVE REFINED IN REF (A) WHAT WE SEE AS A GOOD TEXT IN WHICH ONLY TWO ISSUES REMAIN. OUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOW BELOW. EMBASSY BRASILIA SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT CONVEY THESE VIEWS TO FOREIGN MINISTRY UNTIL SO INSTRUCTED BY THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY.

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2. NUCLEAR: WITH REGARD TO PARAS 9 AND 10 REFTEL (A), EVERYONE KNOWS U.S. AND BRAZIL HAVE DIFFERENCE ON NUCLEAR MATTERS. RATHER THAN ATTEMPTING TO PAPER OVER DIFFERENCES (WHICH ALTERNATIVE WORDING IN PARA 22 REFTEL (A) TENDS TO DO), WE BELIEVE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING OUR POSITION CLEAR TO THIRD COUNTRIES AS WELL AS

BRAZIL ARGUES FOR RETAINING SEPARATE AND RATHER MORE EXPLICIT PARAS 9 AND 10 WHICH GIVE AGREED UPON QTE YOUR-SIDE, OUR-SIDE LANGUAGE UNQTE.

3. TO RETAIN BALANCE, WE BELIEVE PARAGRAPH 12 ON TRADE REQUIRES SOME REFERENCE TO BRAZILIAN OR LDC RESPONSIBILITY

TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARD TRADE LIBERALIZATION. AFTER REVIEWING ALTERNATIVE FORMULATIONS WITH EMBASSY BRASILIA, WE PROPOSE INSERT IN PARA 12 WHICH INCORPORATES SOME LANGUAGE PROPOSED BY GOB AND MAINTAINS ESSENTIAL POINTS OUR EARLIER DRAFTS. WITH OUR RECOMMENDED INSERT, PARA 12 WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE 12. PRESIDENT CARTER EMPHASIZED HIS ADMINISTRATION'S COMMITMENT TO FREER TRADE. PRESIDENT GEISEL STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF EXPORT GROWTH TO BRAZILIAN DEVELOPMENT. BOTH PRESIDENTS EMPHASIZED THEIR RESOLVE TO WORK TOWARD A MORE OPEN AND FAIR GLOBAL TRADING SYSTEM, TO FIGHT PROTECTIONISM AND TO COOPERATE IN BRINGING THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. THE TWO PRESIDENTS AGREED THAT THE MAJOR CONTRIBUTION SHOULD BE MADE BY THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. PRESIDENT CARTER EMPHASIZED THE DETERMINATION OF THE UNITED STATES TO NEGOTIATE SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHERE FEASIBLE AND CONFIDENTIAL

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APPROPRIATE. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE NOTED THE DESIRABILITY OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TOWARD TRADE LIBERALIZATION CONSISTENT WITH THEIR DEVELOPMENT. PRESIDENT GEISEL EXPRESSED BRAZIL'S READINESS TO CONTRIBUTE, TOGETHER WITH OTHER COUNTRIES, TO THE LIBERALIZATION OF WORLD TRADE. THE TWO PRESIDENTS AGREED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF REACHING AN UNDERSTANDING ON CODES ON EXPORT SUBSIDIES, COUNTERVAILING DUTIES, SAFEGUARDS AND OTHER TRADE POLICY MECHANISMS. THEY ALSO AGREED ON THE NEED FOR CLOSE CONSULTATIONS AS THE GENEVAL NEGOTIATIONS APPROACH THE FINAL STAGE. END QUOTE

4. FYI: THIS PARAGRAPH HAS PRODUCED CONSIDERABLE BACKING AND FORTHING BETWEEN OURSELVES AND THE BRAZILIANS, AND WE SUSPECT FINAL LANGUAGE WILL HAVE TO BE NEGOTIATED ON THE GROUND. END FYI COOPER

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